UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

EMILIES PASTARIA LLC,

CIVIL ACTION

Plaintiff,

NO. 2:22-cv-955

VS.

U.S. UNDERWRITERS INSURANCE COMPANY,

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

Defendant.

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TO: Clerk of the Court
United States District Court
Eastern District of New York
100 Federal Plaza
Central Islip, New York 11722

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1441 and 28 U.S.C. § 1446, Defendant U.S. Underwriters Insurance Company ("U.S. Underwriters") hereby removes this action from the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Suffolk, where this action is currently pending, and respectfully states as follows:

- 1. On or about February 1, 2022, Plaintiff Emilies Pastaria LLC commenced this action by filing a Summons and Verified Complaint against U.S. Underwriters in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Suffolk, under Index No. 602018/2022. A true copy of the Summons and Verified Complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 2. On or about February 10, 2022, Plaintiff served the Summons and Verified Complaint on U.S. Underwriters.
- 3. This Court has original jurisdiction of this case pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332, and the action is removable to this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1441 and 28 U.S.C. § 1446.

- 4. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446, this Notice of Removal is being filed within the 30-day time limit for removal.
- 5. Plaintiff Emilies Pastaria LLC is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of New York with its principal place of business in Suffolk County, New York. Ex. A, Complaint at ¶ 1.
- 6. Upon information and belief, all of the members of Plaintiff Emilies Pastaria LLC are residents of the State of New York.
- 7. Defendant U.S. Underwriters Insurance Company is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of North Dakota with its principal place of business in Wayne, Pennsylvania.
- 8. Diversity of jurisdiction existed at the commencement of this case and continues to exist on the date of filing of this Notice.
- 9. Based on the allegations of the Verified Complaint, the amount in controversy in this case is in excess of \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs. *See* Ex. A.
- 10. Venue is proper in this District because this action is currently pending in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Suffolk, and because a substantial part of the events or omissions allegedly giving rise to the claim occurred in this District.
- 11. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d), U.S. Underwriters will file a Notice of Filing of Notice of Removal with the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Suffolk.

Dated: February 22, 2022

SAIBER LLC 270 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10016-0603 (646) 532-4646 Attorneys for Defendant U.S. Underwriters Insurance Company

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that, on February 22, 2022, I electronically filed the foregoing Notice of Removal with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system. I further certify that I caused a copy of the foregoing Notice of Removal to be served upon Plaintiff's counsel, Evan Klestzick, Esq., McDonnell, Adels & Klestzick, PLLC, 401 Franklin Avenue, Garden City, New York 11530, by overnight delivery and via electronic mail at eklestzick@maklawpc.com.

Vincent J. Proto